

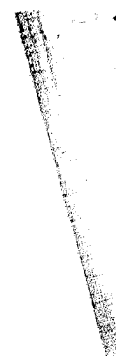


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<b>Title:</b> THICKNESS EXTENSIONAL VIBRATION MODE PIEZOELECTRIC RESONATOR, LADDER-TYPE FILTER, AND PIEZOELECTRIC RESONATOR COMPONENT	

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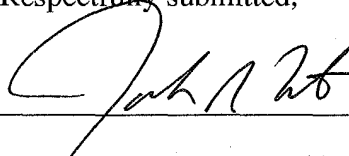
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, submitted herewith are copies of seven (7) references cited in the enclosed search report issued in a corresponding Japanese patent application. For the Examiner's convenience, we have enclosed an English translation of the Japanese search report and a completed Form PTO-1449. The statement is not a representation that all of the information cited is necessarily effective as prior art against the application.

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Applicant(s) respectfully request(s) that the disclosed reference(s) be made of record in the subject application.

Respectfully submitted,



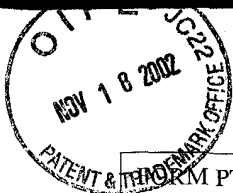
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